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TO: Secretary of State

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PRIORITY

CUBA SUBMITTED FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

"THE GENERAL CONFERENCE,

CONSIDERING THAT UNESCO, AS THE UNITED NATIONS AGENCY SPECIALIZING IN THE FIELDS OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE, FAVOURS INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN ALL MEMBER STATES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPIRIT OF ITS CONSTITUTION, IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS, CONSIDERING THAT IT IS UNESCO'S INESCAPABLE DUTY TO REMAIN ALOOF FROM BODIES WHOSE CHARACTER AND NATURE ESSENTIALLY SUBSERVE ENDS INCOMPATIBLE WITH ITS SPIRIT AND AIMS, AND WHOSE ACTIVITIES CONFLICT WITH THE PRINCIPLES LAID DOWN IN ITS CONSTITUTION, HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, UNDER THE PRESSURE OF FACTORS ALIEN TO THE SPIRIT AND ASPIRATIONS OF THE PEOPLES OF LATIN AMERICA, HAS BECOME A REGIONAL BODY OF A POLITICO-MILITARY CHARACTER, HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, IN CONSEQUENCE OF ITS NEW CHARACTER, HAS SUSPENDED A MEMBER STATE ON THE GROUNDS OF THE LATTERS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEM, IN VIOLATION OF ALL THE JURIDICAL CRITERIA LAID DOWN IN THE ORGANIZATIONS OWN STATUTES, HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT THIS ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES CONSEQUENT ON ITS PRESENT CHARACTER CONFLICTS WITH THOSE OF ITS PRINCIPLES WHICH WERE IN ACCORD WITH UNESCO'S CONSTITUTION, HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT UNDER THE NEW AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES AND UNESCO APPROVED

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AC- 2167, NOVEMBER 20, FROM PARIS

BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AT ITS 61ST SESSION AND IMPLICITLY ENDORSED BY RESOLUTIONS 1.51 TO 1.54 OF DOCUMENT 12 C/5 ADDENDUM AND CORRIGENDUM, UNESCO AGREES TO UNDERTAKE JOINT ACTION WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE, WITH CO-ORDINATION OF THEIR WORK, PROVISION BEING MADE, TO THAT AND, FOR THE FORMATION OF A JOINT COMMITTEE ON WHICH BOTH ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE REPRESENTED,

HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT, APART FROM THE FUNDAMENTAL INCOMPATIBILITY OF THIS ASSOCIATION WITH UNESCO'S FULFILMENT OF ITS AIMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS NATURE, UNESCO, IN THIS NEW AGREEMENT, SUBORDINATES ITSELF TO THE EXCLUSIVIST AND POLITICAL-MILITARY ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES BY PROVIDING SERVICES UNDER THE TERMS OF ARTICLE IV OF THE AGREEMENT WITHOUT ANY RECIPROCITY, HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES WILL BE ENTITLED, UNDER THE NEW AGREEMENT IN QUESTION, TO INTERVENE IN RESPECT OF REQUESTS FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PRESENTED BY MEMBER STATES OF THE REGION, INCLUDING CUBA, A MEMBER STATE OF UNESCO WITH ALL THE RIGHTS PERTAINING THERETO BUT ARBITRARILY EXCLUDED FROM THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, "HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT THIS SUBORDINATION OF UNESCO, TO A REGIONAL BODY WHOSE PRESENT CHARACTER IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE FORMERS AIMS AND PRINCIPLES, SERIOUSLY COMPROMISES ITS INDEPENDENCE AND ITS DIRECTING ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS BY NOT HAVING IT IN ITS POWER TO PROVIDE ALL ITS MEMBER STATES WITH FULL GUARANTEES FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF THE BENEFITS TO WHICH THEY ARE ENTITLED, WITHOUT ANY FORM OF DISCRIMINATORY EXCLUSION, TAKES THE VIEW THAT THE CONTINUATION OF THE AGREEMENT SIGNED BETWEEN UNESCO AND THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES IN 1950 AND THE CONCLUSION OF A NEW AGREEMENT ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THE NATURE, AIMS AND ACTIVITIES OF UNESCO, DECIDES TO DENOUNCE THE AGREEMENT

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EXISTING BETWEEN UNESCO AND THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES SINCE 1950, AND TO REFRAIN FROM ENTERING INTO THE NEW AGREEMENT APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AT THE 61ST SESSION UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, DIVESTS ITSELF OF THE POLITICO-MILITARY CHARACTER WHICH IT HAS TAKEN ON AND CONCEDES FULL PARTICIPATION WITH ALL RIGHTS AND POWERS TO ALL ITS MEMBER STATES, CONFORMABLY WITH THE SPIRIT AND AIMS OF UNESCO AS EMBODIED IN ITS CONSTITUTION," URGENTLY REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS, ISSUE LIKELY BE DISCUSSED ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION BEFORE END THIS WEEK.

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